The Simone de Beauvoir Institute, and The Library invite you to hear

## Janet Maclellan Toole

#### March 8, 1995

12h (noon) The Lounge Simone de Beauvoir Institute 2170 Bishop

# Biological Sketches of Maritime Women:

"Interviewing Women born in the 1890s to the 1920s". A glimpse of oral history interviews undertaken in the late 1980s to 1994.

### March 9, 1995

19h30 Friends of the Library Webster Library Building LB-369 1400 de Maisonneuve Blvd.W.

### Collecting Oral History:

"How to select and conduct an interview for archival purposes". A creative venture between an interesting subject and a good listener, keeping posterity in mind.

An arts graduate of the University of New Brunswick, Janet Maclellan Toole is a Maritimer with roots in both New Brunswick and Nova Scotia. She has interests in people, history and languages.

She began her career in broadcast journalism at age 20 in television at CBC stations in Halifax, Ottawa, and Montreal and later in radio in Frederiction. For one year, she taught French and Music in elementary and junior high school. When her older daughter was 2, she and her husband spent a year in East Africa, exploring the national parks, wildlife and natural beauty of Tanzania, and where, from the people, she learned to appreciate the stories of an oral culture.

Recording Maritime women about their own lives and their views of life is one of Janet Toole's principal occupations as the only oral history archivist (that she knows of) in Canada.

Janet Toole has been the recipient of two Helen Creighton Foundation Awards and has been a successful fundraiser and organizer of oral history projects for over 21 years.

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